

“Who’s In Charge Around Here, Part 2”

Sunday, September 28, 2025, 10:30 a.m.

Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI

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Revelation 1:9-20

BIG IDEA: Jesus Christ is in charge of His Church.

*“To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood
and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father,
to him be glory and dominion forever and ever.
Amen.”*

Revelation 1:5b, 6 (CSB)



Where John was. (v9, 10a)

- John was **incarcerated** on the **Island of Patmos**.
- John was **identifying** with the **People of God**.
- John was **maintaining a posture of worship**.



What John heard. (v10b-11)

- John **heard a loud voice**.
- John **heard a clear instruction**.



What John saw. (v12-16)

- John **saw seven golden lampstands**.
- John **saw one** like the **Son of Man**.
- John **saw seven stars**.



What John did. (v17-20)

- John **fell to the ground**.
- John **received blessed consolation**.
- John **obtained prophetic insight**.

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Read: Revelation 1:1-3

Think: Meditate on John’s majestic vision of the Lord Jesus Christ among His Church, then ask yourself the following questions: *What is the most awe-inspiring sight you have ever seen? Why is John on Patmos? Who are the recipient churches (v 4, 11)? What is significant about John’s spiritual condition and posture upon receiving this vision? What do the images in verses 12-18 indicate about Jesus Christ? What is the meaning of the 7 stars? The 7 lampstands? What does it mean for a church to be a light?*

Do: Describe your spiritual condition right now: on the Island of Patmos, approaching the finish-line in victory, or on your knees in humble worship. Identify the places you need to allow Jesus to exert His authority in your life.